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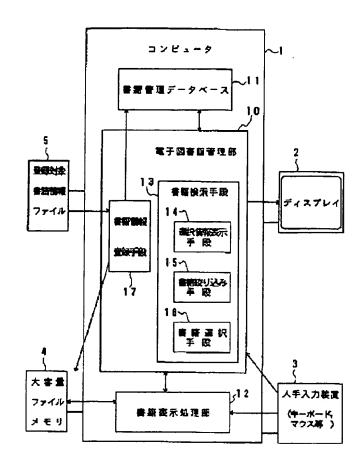
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TITLE : ELECTRONIC LIBRARY SYSTEM



ABSTRACT :

PURPOSE: To freely and quickly access book information to read by performing unitary management of book information of plural books in the system which displays book information on the display device of a computer as a book image by pseudo-execution of a book function like page turning.

CONSTITUTION: Book information of plural books is stored in a large-capacity file memory 4, and retrieval information for stored book information is registered in a book management data base 11. An objective book, author, or the like is retrieved based on the book management data base 11 by a keyword at an electronic library management part 10, and book information corresponding to the retrieved book is read out from the large-capacity file memory 4 by a book display processing part 12 and is displayed on a display device 2. A means to retrieve the books in the electronic library management part 10 is started in accordance with input of book operation information.

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